The Professional Insurance Agents of Ohio would like to add our collective support to the motions to stay and for emergency clarification of new rules regarding fax communications. These rules seem to exceed the spirit and intent of the law by hampering legitimate business communications to entities which have become accustomed to the speed and convenience of receiving information in this manner.

This rule is particularly burdensome for professional trade associations such as ours. The effects of many provisions of the bill remain unclear, including issues of devolution of consent to from national association to affiliates, expiration of consent and which association activities fall under the new regulations.

The Professional Insurance Agents of Ohio hope the implementation of these rules will be delayed for an adequate period of time to allow full discussion and debate of their effects on legitimate commerce.